

control, and do what is right for the American people.

Mr. Speaker, you have been very indulgent, and I yield back the balance of my time.

#### LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. BRALEY of Iowa (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today on account of business in the State.

Ms. GIFFORDS (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today and November 9 on account of personal business.

Mr. LEVIN (at the request of Mr. HOYER) for today after 11:30 a.m.

#### SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. McDERMOTT) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. CUMMINGS, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. NORTON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFazio, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WATERS, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HOLT, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Ms. FOXX) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. POE, for 5 minutes, November 14 and 15.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, November 14 and 15.

Mr. GINGREY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MORAN of Kansas, for 5 minutes, November 13.

Ms. FOXX, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

#### ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

Ms. Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled bills of the House of the following titles, which were thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.R. 2602. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical facility in Iron Mountain, Michigan, as the "Oscar G. John-

son Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility".

H.R. 3043. An act making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes.

#### A BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House reports that on November 6, 2007 she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill.

H.R. 2546. To designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Asheville, North Carolina, as the "Charles George Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center".

#### ADJOURNMENT

Mr. BURGESS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 56 minutes p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Friday, November 9, 2007, at 9 a.m.

#### EXPENDITURE REPORTS CONCERNING OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL

Reports concerning the foreign currencies and U.S. dollars utilized for Speaker-Authorized Official Travel during the third quarter of 2007, pursuant to Public Law 95-384 are as follows:

##### REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, LUCY HEENAN, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN AUG. 12 AND AUG. 23, 2007

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Lucy Heenan .....	8/12	8/14	Morocco .....		722.74		( <sup>3</sup> )				
	8/14	8/16	Ghana .....		538.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				
	8/16	8/16	Liberia .....				( <sup>3</sup> )				
	8/16	8/18	Ghana .....		538.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				
	8/18	8/21	Uganda .....		1,029.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				
	8/21	8/22	Kenya .....		318.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				
	8/22	8/23	Spain .....		465.64		( <sup>3</sup> )				
Committee total .....					3,611.38			4,293.35			

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

<sup>3</sup> Military air transportation.

<sup>4</sup> Miscellaneous embassy costs.

LUCY HEENAN, Oct. 31, 2007.

##### REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPT. 30, 2007

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Charles W. Boustany, Jr. ....	8/27	8/29	Kuwait .....		818.49		9,029.05				9,847.54
Hon. Adrian Smith .....	8/27	8/29	Sudan (Chad) .....		872.14						
	8/29	8/30	Tunisia .....		289.00						
	8/30	8/30	Algeria .....		149.00						
Keith Jones .....	8/31	9/1	Ethiopia .....		300.00						
	9/1	9/3	Dubai .....		1,419.00		13,495.97				16,525.11
	9/20	9/21	Canada .....		341.66		435.61				777.27
Committee total .....					4,189.29		22,960.63				27,149.92

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.

<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

COLLIN C. PETERSON, Chairman, Nov. 1, 2007.

November 8, 2007

## CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—HOUSE

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REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPT. 30, 2007

Name of member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Thomas Allen .....	8/7	8/8	Pakistan .....		339.00						339.00
	8/8	8/9	Afghanistan .....		75.00						75.00
	8/9	8/10	Pakistan .....		339.00						339.00
Commercial transportation .....							<sup>3</sup> 2,690.45				2,690.45
Hon. J. Dennis Hastert .....	8/5	8/7	Japan .....		850.00						850.00
	8/7	8/10	Japan .....		1,176.00						1,176.00
	8/10	8/14	China .....		1,820.00						1,820.00
Commercial transportation .....							10,505.43				10,505.43
William Koetzle .....	8/5	8/7	Japan .....		850.00						850.00
	8/7	8/10	Japan .....		1,176.00						1,176.00
	8/10	8/14	China .....		1,820.00						1,820.00
Commercial transportation .....							9,973.43				9,973.43
David Cavicke .....	8/5	8/7	Japan .....		850.00						850.00
	8/7	8/10	Japan .....		1,167.00						1,167.00
	8/10	8/14	China .....		1,820.00						1,820.00
Commercial transportation .....							9,791.33				9,791.33
Hon. John Shadegg .....	8/8	8/10	Japan .....		778.00						778.00
	8/10	8/14	China .....		1,820.00				224.49		2,044.49
Commercial transportation .....							7,595.72				7,595.72
David Nelson .....	8/18	8/24	China .....		2,034.00						2,034.00
	8/24	8/30	China .....		1,928.00						1,928.00
Commercial transportation .....							7,469.93				7,469.93
Kevin Barstow .....	8/18	8/24	China .....		2,034.00						2,034.00
	8/24	8/30	China .....		1,316.00						1,316.00
Commercial transportation .....							7,449.93				7,449.93
Andrew Woelfling .....	8/24	8/30	China .....		1,316.00						1,316.00
Commercial transportation .....							6,673.52				6,673.52
Brian McCullough .....	8/18	8/24	China .....		2,034.00						2,034.00
	8/24	8/30	China .....		1,316.00						1,316.00
Commercial transportation .....							7,449.93				7,449.93
Christopher Knauer .....	8/27	9/7	China .....		3,365.00						3,365.00
	9/8	9/15	India .....		1,195.97						1,195.97
Commercial transportation .....							9,207.82				9,207.82
Peter Spencer .....	8/27	9/7	China .....		3,365.00						3,365.00
	9/8	9/15	India .....		1,195.97						1,195.97
Commercial transportation .....							9,207.82				9,207.82
Hon. Barbara Cubin .....	9/7	9/2	Kuwait .....		210.00						210.00
Commercial transportation .....							<sup>4</sup> 9,374.12				9,374.12
Committee Totals .....					36,189.94		97,389.43		224.49		133,803.86

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.<sup>3</sup> Military air transportation.<sup>4</sup> Supplemental Report for Rick Boucher will be filed as information becomes available.

JOHN D. DINGELL Chairman, Oct. 31, 2007.

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL SERVICES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPT. 30, 2007

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Michele Bachmann .....	6/30	7/1	Ireland .....		116.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				116.00
	7/1	7/3	Germany .....		98.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				98.00
	7/3	7/5	Pakistan .....		578.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				578.00
	7/5	7/6	Kuwait .....		105.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				105.00
	7/6	7/6	Iraq .....				( <sup>3</sup> )				
Hon. Melissa Bean .....	7/20	7/22	Serbia .....		583.77		( <sup>3</sup> )				583.77
	7/22	7/22	Bosnia-Herzegovina .....				( <sup>3</sup> )				
	7/22	7/23	Croatia .....		25.52		( <sup>3</sup> )				25.52
J.D. Grom .....	7/20	7/22	Serbia .....		463.12		( <sup>3</sup> )				463.12
	7/22	7/22	Bosnia-Herzegovina .....				( <sup>3</sup> )				
	7/22	7/23	Croatia .....		25.52		( <sup>3</sup> )				25.52
Larry Lavendar .....	7/20	7/22	Serbia .....		780.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				780.00
	7/22	7/22	Bosnia-Herzegovina .....				( <sup>3</sup> )				
	7/22	7/23	Croatia .....		134.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				134.00
Hon. Carolyn Maloney .....	7/20	7/22	Serbia .....		780.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				780.00
	7/22	7/22	Bosnia-Herzegovina .....				( <sup>3</sup> )				
	7/22	7/23	Croatia .....		134.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				134.00
Hon. Gregory Meeks .....	8/6	8/7	Peru .....		576.00		<sup>4</sup> 4,293.95				4,869.95
Hon. Gwen Moore .....	8/12	8/14	Morocco .....		722.74		( <sup>3</sup> )				722.24
	8/14	8/16	Ghana .....		538.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				538.00
	8/16	8/16	Liberia .....				( <sup>3</sup> )				
	8/16	8/18	Ghana .....		538.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				538.00
	8/18	8/21	Uganda .....		1,029.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,029.00
	8/21	8/22	Kenya .....		318.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				318.00
	8/22	8/23	Spain .....		482.14		( <sup>3</sup> )				482.14
Hon. Luis Gutierrez .....	8/18	8/20	Tunisia .....		482.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				482.00
	8/20	8/22	Turkey .....		1,242.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,242.00
	8/22	8/24	Croatia .....		1,064.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,064.00
	8/24	8/27	Germany .....		1,629.00		( <sup>3</sup> )				1,629.00
Hon. Stevan Pearce .....	9/7	9/8	Kuwait .....		105.00		<sup>4</sup> 9,374.12				9,479.12
	9/8	9/9	Iraq .....				( <sup>3</sup> )				
	9/9	9/10	Kuwait .....		105.00						105.00
Committee totals .....					12,653.81		13,668.07				26,321.88

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.<sup>3</sup> Military air transportation.<sup>4</sup> Round trip commercial air ticket.

—Oct. 31, 2007.

## REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPT. 30, 2007

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Thomas Hicks .....	8/15	8/16	Italy .....		478.80		7,564.64				11,200.43
	8/16	8/19	France .....		1,623.99						
	8/19	8/22	Spain .....		990.00						
Janelle Hu .....	8/22	8/23	United Kingdom .....						543.00		
	8/15	8/16	Italy .....		478.80		7,564.64				11,200.43
	8/16	8/19	France .....		1,623.99						
	8/19	8/22	Spain .....		990.00						
Teri Morgan .....	8/22	8/23	United Kingdom .....						543.00		
	8/15	8/16	Italy .....		478.80		7,654.64				11,200.43
	8/16	8/19	France .....		1,623.99						
	8/19	8/22	Spain .....		990.00						
Gineen Beach .....	8/22	8/23	United Kingdom .....						543.00		
	8/15	8/16	Italy .....		478.80		7,654.64				11,200.43
	8/16	8/19	France .....		1,623.99						
	8/19	8/22	Spain .....		990.00						
	8/22	8/22	United Kingdom .....						543.00		
Committee total .....					12,371.16		30,258.56		2,172.00		44,801.72

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

ROBERT A. BRADY, Chairman, Nov. 1, 2007.

## REPORT OF EXPENDITURES FOR OFFICIAL FOREIGN TRAVEL, COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, EXPENDED BETWEEN JULY 1 AND SEPT. 30, 2007

Name of Member or employee	Date		Country	Per diem <sup>1</sup>		Transportation		Other purposes		Total	
	Arrival	Departure		Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>	Foreign currency	U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency <sup>2</sup>
Hon. Chris Cannon .....	8/26	9/03	Kazakhstan .....		2,556.00		11,226.87				13,782.87
Bobby Vassar .....	8/4	8/11	England, Switzerland .....		2,291.77		9,151.55				11,443.32
Greg Barnes .....	8/4	8/11	England, Switzerland .....		2,291.77		9,151.55				11,443.32
Teresa Vest .....	8/4	8/11	England, Switzerland .....		2,291.77		9,151.55				11,443.32
Sean McLaughlin .....	8/4	8/11	England, Switzerland .....		2,291.77		9,151.55				11,443.32
Allison Beach .....	8/4	8/11	England, Switzerland .....		2,291.77		9,151.55				11,443.32
Committee total .....					14,014.85		56,984.62				70,999.47

<sup>1</sup> Per diem constitutes lodging and meals.<sup>2</sup> If foreign currency is used, enter U.S. dollar equivalent; if U.S. currency is used, enter amount expended.

JOHN CONYERS, JR., Chairman, Oct. 31, 2007.

## EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

4043. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Spineteram; Pesticide Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0876; FRL-8149-9] received October 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4044. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Furilazole; Inert Ingredient Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0557; FRL-8145-2] received October 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4045. A letter from the Chairman and CEO, Farm Credit Administration, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Title IV Conservators, Receivers, and Voluntary Liquidations; Priority of Claims--Subordinated Debt (RIN: 3052-AC38) received October 9, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4046. A letter from the Chairman and CEO, Farm Credit Administration, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Title IV Conservators, Receivers, and Voluntary Liquidations; Priority of Claims--Joint and Several Liability (RIN: 3052-AC16) received October 9, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4047. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a letter on the approved retirement Admiral Henry G. Ulrich III, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of admiral on the re-

tired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4048. A letter from the Comptroller, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's quarterly report as of September 30, 2007, entitled, "Acceptance of contributions for defense programs, projects and activities; Defense Cooperation Account," pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2608; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4049. A letter from the Assistant to the Board, Department of the Treasury, transmitting the Department's final rule — Fair Credit Reporting Affiliate Marketing Regulations [Docket ID [OCC-2007-0010]] (RIN: 1557-AC88) received October 25, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Financial Services.

4050. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Fiscal Year 2005 Biennial Report to Congress on the Status of Children in Head Start Programs as required by Section 650 of the Head Start Act; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

4051. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's Annual Report for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, covering calendar year 2006, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 6245; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4052. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Transfer of Polychlorinated Biphenyl Cleanup and Disposal Program from the Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances to the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2007-0425; FRL-8150-6] received October 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4053. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agen-

cy's final rule — Perfluoroalkyl Sulfonates; Significant New Use Rule [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2005-0015; FRL-8150-4] (RIN: 2070-AJ18) received October 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4054. A letter from the Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; State of South Dakota; Revisions to the Administrative Rules of South Dakota [EPA-R08-OAR-2007-0656; FRL-8479-9] received October 4, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4055. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule — List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: HI-STORM 100 Revision 4 (RIN: 3150-AA23) received October 31, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4056. A letter from the Acting Assistant Administrator Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, Agency for International Development, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Miscellaneous Amendments to Acquisition Regulations (AIDAR Circular 2007-02) (RIN: 0412-AA30) received October 5, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4057. A letter from the Director, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting the Office's final rule — Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program (RIN: 3206-AL03) received October 12, 2007, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4058. A letter from the Director Office of Protected Resources, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Taking